

People and what they are doing

Miss Hazel Foster, accompanied by Dick Wessler of Manhattan Beach, attended the annual Eta Upsilon Gamma Sorority dance at Oakmont Country Club Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. William Blakely of North Hollywood, former Torrance residents, entertained as their guests Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Walter Claus, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Hinshaw, and Mr. and Mrs. John B. Young.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Stewart entertained as their dinner guests yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Ike McFee.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Young entertained as their dinner guests Thanksgiving Day Mrs. Young's sister, Mrs. Anna Olsen of Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Lock entertained with a steak bake at their home on Portola avenue Wednesday evening. Their guests were Messrs. and Mrs. G. A. Evans, E. A. Lock, Mrs. Mary Goff and son George Goff.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Elson and grandson, Larry were Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Burchett at their home, 1504 Post avenue.

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SOCIETY and Club

PENNY ANNS PLAN PROGRESSIVE DINNER

Members of the Penny Anns met at the home of Mrs. Pat August last Thursday where a dessert card party was enjoyed. Those present were Mesdames Martha Colburn, Doris Watson, Helen Smith, Lucille Rogers, Rosemary Pryor, Mickey Twyman, George Tappan, Mildred Drury and club guests Mmes. Bertha Hannebrink and Mickey Dumont.

At the business meeting held Monday evening at Marguerite McLean's home plans were discussed for a progressive dinner to be held next Wednesday evening. A new member, Mrs. Helen Johnson, was welcomed into the club.

TICKET SELLING CONTEST FOR YIMMY YONSON'S YOB
Tickets for "Yimmy Yonson's Yob", a benefit for Torrance Post No. 3251, V. F. W., to be presented at Civic Auditorium Dec. 14, are available at the Welcome Inn and the L. E. Stanley home, 1922 Carson street.

A contest is open to the public and as an award for the person selling the most tickets, a handsome men's or ladies' wrist watch valued at approximately \$25 will be given.

JOE'S DAUGHTERS ELECT OFFICERS
At the regular meeting of Joe's Daughters held at Masonic Temple Tuesday evening election of officers was held. Those who will serve during the ensuing term are: Vivian Werthalla, honored queen; Shirley Gutfenfelder, sepior princess; Lois Jayne Allen, junior princess; Margaret Mort, guide, and Marilyn Moyer, marshal. Installation will be held at Masonic Temple Saturday evening, Dec. 7.

Chapter meeting was opened with the honored queen, Norma Patterson presiding. Past honored queen, Virginia Traller; Junior Princess Joan Laurie of Compton; and Deputy Grand Guardian Mrs. Gastrich were escorted to the east. The occasion was the final official visit of Mrs. Gastrich. Plans were completed for the girls' visit to Al Pearce's show this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Woodcock entertained as their guests yesterday Mr. and Mrs. John Jay of Los Angeles, Mrs. J. W. Inman and Lester Inman.

ADDITIONAL SOCIETY
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Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Treloar were Thanksgiving dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Treloar.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Severns spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Blasler at Santa Anita.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Buxton were guests yesterday of Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Grow at La Crescenta.

Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Maddy entertained as their Thanksgiving dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest L. Maddy and son Lynn and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Maddy.

Mrs. W. T. Walker visited Tuesday at the home of her sister, Miss Minnie Benzel at Alhambra.

Miss Mary Bray, who has been confined to her home for several weeks, is reported making a favorable recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Parks have as their house guests, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond W. Parks of Wichita, Kansas, who have come for a holiday reunion at the Parks' home. Other guests were: Mrs. Mabel Slater of Detroit, Michigan; Mrs. Edith Olsen and daughter, Miss Eileen from Whitefish, Montana; and Mr. and Mrs. Clark Moats and daughter Gloria of Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Montague of El Centro; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Parks of Santa Monica; Mr. and Mrs. J. Parke Montague, and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Montague of Torrance.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Lock entertained as their Thanksgiving dinner guests Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Lock and Barbara Jane.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Quaggin and family were guests yesterday of Mr. and Mrs. George Gruenthal at Tujunga.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd C. Warthan and son Lloyd and daughter Norma were entertained yesterday at the John Cooley home at Long Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Viellenave, accompanied by their daughter, Miss Julia and Mrs. Julie Viellenave, enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner at the Joseph Viellenave home in Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Young, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. John B. Young, were dinner guests at the Forrest Young home in Los Angeles.

HIGH SCHOOL P.T.A. MEETING

The regular meeting of Torrance high school P.T.A. was held at the auditorium last Wednesday with the president, Mrs. J. O. Bishop, presiding. Miss Carolyn Jennings high school coordinator of L. A. City College spoke of the opportunities offered to students of junior colleges. Pictures of the campus were also shown.

Miss Elizabeth Parks spoke on the Community Chest and Mrs. E. L. Hatter was heard in two pleasing vocal selections. The next meeting will be a Christmas program at the auditorium Dec. 19.

ROTARIANS PLAN DINNER-DANCE

Plans for a dinner-dance, to be held in the Army & Navy Club, Long Beach, Thursday, December 5, were announced this week by George Peckham, club president. All members of the Kiwanis Club have been invited and it is expected that a number of other guests of the two clubs will attend. The committee in charge of the party includes, Charles V. Jones, chairman, Sam Levy and Grover C. Whyte.

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Chamber Aids Business Men's Yule Display

Directors of the Torrance Chamber of Commerce Monday approved a \$50 appropriation to the Torrance Business Men's Association to help defray the cost of Christmas street decorations. Chamber directors also recommended that the City Council assume the cost of current consumed by the strings of colored lights which the city crews are now installing in the business sections of the city, which cost is estimated at \$175. The chamber's action was in response to a request for \$250 made in a letter from Robert McCallum, president of the business association. Merchants and other business and professional firms are planning to raise an additional \$400 to cover the cost of Christmas decorations, which will be installed around the ornamental light standards.

Dean L. Sears, chairman of the advertising and promotion committee reported a plan, which was approved by chamber directors, for re-conditioning 11 civic highway signs. An annual saving of \$252 will be effected by the new plan, and the city will own all the highway signs, instead of renting a portion of them as has been the practice in former years. The sign at Carson and Main will be eliminated due to the inability of securing a good location for it, Sears reported.

Louis Doss, proprietor of the grocery department at the Carsonart, and the Palos Verdes Laboratories, Ltd., were welcomed as new members of the chamber.

New Douglas Plane Plant Now Under Construction in L. B.

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buildings so spaced as to afford the maximum possible protection from fire and shell fragments.

HUGE FLOOR SPACE

The new plant at Long Beach will provide 1,422,350 square feet of production area, and with the Santa Monica and El Segundo plants will give the Douglas company a total of 5,285,000 square feet of covered working space for national defense. The three plants are expected to house 35,000 employees, with an annual payroll of more than \$56,000,000.

All buildings in the new plant will be steel and concrete, of modern design. There will be several independent sources of supply for gas and electricity. Oil and gasoline supply tanks will be in subterranean vaults. Edward Gray Taylor and Ellis Wing Taylor, architects and engineers, and the E. J. Walker Company of Los Angeles, builders, estimate the cost, including machinery, at more than \$11,000,000.

Unless unforeseen delays interfere, production should begin in the summer of 1944. Douglas said.

The huge inclosed automobile parking yard will be connected with the plant by underground passages. Special railroad tracks will enter the receiving and construction buildings through double, light-proof doors and all entrances and exits in the building will have light traps to prevent "spooling" from the air at night. Trees and shrubs in front of buildings will blend into the color scheme of the structures. The architects say the trees will be square topped and of even height with the factory buildings.

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High School Belongs to People; Good Public Relations is Essential

Following is the eighth in the series on "Know Your Torrance High School" written especially for The Herald...
By **THOMAS H. ELSON**
Principal of Torrance High School

The maintenance of good public relations is just as important to the success of a high school as it is to any other institution public or private. Since the high school is a public tax-supported institution, the patrons of which are determined by law, this statement might be considered subject to challenge. Any high school administrator who has tried to be an isolationist can however, testify to its validity.

The high school belongs to the people who support it. They have a right to have a voice in its operation and above all they have a right to be kept informed about everything which concerns the welfare and progress of their children in the school.

It naturally follows that the first and most important way in which the school can build the proper kind of public relations is through the maintenance at all times of a friendly and helpful attitude toward its patrons. The parent must always be met as the proprietor of a store, meets its patrons. The customer may not always be right but unless he is met with that attitude the business is bound to suffer and the business of a school is a part of the community's business.

Service By Cooperation
A second and nearly as important way in which a public high school can further desirable relations between itself and the public is through services which it can render. The success of the school is measured by benefits it returns to the people. The benefits in these times are no longer limited to training of children of the community in certain subjects. They include any service which the school or its pupils are capable of rendering to the aims and activities of the community. These principles are part of the fundamental policies of the Torrance high school.

Services which the school thus renders to the community are many and varied. In almost all cases these services are media of cooperation between the school and various community groups or organizations, the organizations giving back to the school something of equal value. The full story is entirely too long to be told in this space but the list of groups thus cooperating makes interesting reading.

The school welcomes opportunities to participate in the work and interests of the town because it looks upon the community as a great social laboratory in which its students may gain first-hand experience in the problems of group living.

They Cooperate
The Torrance Relief Society Coordinating Council, Business Men's Association, city council police department, recreation department, service clubs, women's clubs, churches, Ministerial Association, Torrance Herald, factories and industries, American Legion, Parent-Teacher Association, Chamber of Commerce, Junior Chamber of Commerce, American Legion Auxiliary, Masonic lodge, State Employment office, Torrance Public Library, Torrance Memorial hospital—all these cooperate with our schools.

In addition to these groups and institutions, many individual persons cooperate in some extremely important ways. The list could not possibly be made complete and, in order to avoid slighting anyone, it is omitted entirely. The news stories covering these activities are always carried in either the general news columns or the high school column of The Herald.

No treatment of this subject would be complete without calling attention to the hundreds of engagements participated in by the high school choruses. Spe-



Dark-haired film star, Gail Patrick, appeared thrusly when she was a Los Angeles divorcee on grounds of mental cruelty from Robert F. Cobb, Hollywood restaurateur and vice president of Hollywood baseball club. She's a former law student.

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was born to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Frederick Hofstetter of Redondo Beach, California, Tuesday at 8:05 p. m. Torrance Memorial hospital. She weighed 7 pounds 11 ounces and has a three-year-old brother, Charles Anthony. Before her marriage, Mrs. Hofstetter was Lucille Mason. Her husband is employed in the distribution department of the Southern California Gas company. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Mason of Tacoma, Wash.; Mr. W. A. Struss of Whittier and Mrs. Alice Arnold of Los Angeles is a great-grandmother of Suzanne.

FRANK WILLIAM ESTES... arrived to Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. Estes of Compton at 8:05 p. m. Monday at Torrance Memorial hospital. Their first child, he weighed 7 pounds 11 ounces. Mrs. Estes is the former Pauline Gastrich and her husband is a junior engineer for the Shell Oil company. The baby's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Gastrich of Compton.

JOHN PATTON GOLDTHWAITE was welcomed by Mr. and Mrs. Roger S. Goldthwaite of Manhattan Beach at 7:10 p. m. Tuesday at Torrance Memorial hospital. Their first child, he weighed 8 pounds 9 ounces. Before her marriage, Mrs. Goldthwaite was Martha W. Patton and her husband is employed at the North American Aviation plant. The baby's grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Patton of Pasadena and Mrs. Stella Goldthwaite of Alhambra.

Truck Driver Gives Thanks for Power Pole While in Jail

George A. Mark, 46, of Inglewood, was thankful yesterday to a power pole—even though he spent the day in the city jail.

He was found asleep Wednesday night in his truck and gave every evidence of having indulged too much. Mark was driving south on Hawthorne avenue and when he started uphill after passing Huntington street his machine ran out of gas.

The truck then coasted back down the hill until it came into contact with a power pole—but by that time Mark was sound asleep. He was unhurt and his truck was only slightly damaged. If he had coasted much farther his machine would have probably overturned.

Mark was booked for being drunk in an auto and Wednesday afternoon City Judge Robert Lessing fined him \$10 or two days in jail. He took the two days—and spent Thanksgiving in thoughtful confinement.

Special attention will be given next week to the cooperative endeavors of the school and its P.T.A. (The ninth article in the "Know Your Torrance High School" series by Principal Elson will be published next week.)

In 1919 a jet of flaming gas rose more than 500,000 miles from the sun's surface.

Retail Sales in State Reveal Gain Over '39

SACRAMENTO (U.P.)—Retail sales in California based on reports from 3,741 stores in most kinds of business except department stores, were three percent higher in September than during the same month of 1939, according to the U. S. bureau of the census.

For the first nine months of the year, sales were 8.5 percent higher than for the corresponding period last year. September sales, however, were 8.8 percent under August of this year.

Department store sales were up 21 percent for September and 8/10 of 1 percent for the year to date, as compared with the same periods of 1939.

Motors in Lead
Lumber and building materials showed a gain of 13.3 percent in September, the largest of any business classification. Next in order of increase were motor vehicle dealers, 12.4 percent; radio and musical instrument stores, 8.5 percent; jewelry stores, 8.3 percent, and drug stores, 3.9 percent.

Food stores were down 8.7 percent, while eating and drinking establishments gained two percent. For the year to date, motor vehicle dealers led all other kinds of retail business, followed closely by household appliance dealers, heating and plumbing equipment dealers, farm implement and hardware dealers, the bureau reported.

Wholesale Chicken Theft Reported

It was hard for Mrs. Carl Deauville of the Green Hog ranch, located on the Redondo Torrance boundary north of Torrance boulevard, to be thankful yesterday.

Tuesday night 35 of her chickens, valued at \$50, were stolen. The normal amount of air breathed daily by an average individual is 375 cubic feet.

LITERATURE SECTION AT MITCHELL HOME

Members of the Literature and Music sections of Torrance Women's club will meet at the home of Mrs. Mildred Mitchell, 1895 Gramercy avenue, Tuesday, Nov. 26, at 10:30 a. m. This meeting will be preceded by a Bible section meeting conducted by Mrs. T. T. Porter who has chosen as her topic "Mary in Art and Literature." Lella Cunningham Rankin of San Pedro, formerly of Texas, who has the distinction of being the only pupil of Evelyn Oppenheimer, will give a resume of Lella Warren's "Foundation Stone." Everyone is invited. There will be no charge.

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Sound Film of Catholic Mass Here on Nov. 29

"In these days of world chaos, when it is the aim of dictators to stamp out religion altogether, or at least to create racial and religious intolerance, each of us has need of every safeguard to help us to maintain our spiritual integrity," Rev. Father Joseph Leo Bauer, pastor of the Catholic Church of the Nativity, said this week.

"It was with the purpose of spreading tolerance and understanding among non-Catholics, and providing a graphic reminder to Catholics themselves of what they may have, through repetition, lost sight of, that the 'great sound film,' 'The Perpetual Sacrifice' was made," he continued.

"This beautiful production, depicting the life of Christ, and showing the sacrifice of the Mass as it exemplifies each event in His crucifixion and death, has already been seen by millions of people in America, and will be shown at the Church of the Nativity Friday evening, Nov. 29, at 8 o'clock. The Mass is said in English, and the significance of every act and gesture of the priest is made clear.

"The huge cast of gifted actors have given a magnificent portrayal of the manner of sacrifice to God down through the ages, and no one viewing this film can fail to take away something vital to himself spiritually," Rev. Bauer said.

Four Patients Enter Hospital

Four new patients were received at Torrance Memorial hospital during the past three days. They were: Marcella Bruce, 16, Walteria, Tuesday for surgery; Eliza Moore, Gardena, Tuesday for an appendectomy; James Price, 1801 1/2 Cabrillo avenue, Tuesday for medical care, and Mrs. Deelys Robinson, Hollywood, Wednesday for medical treatment.

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